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Attorney's Docket No. 1032567-000007

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE</b>
Masahito Niikawa et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 09/270,834	)	Examiner: JASON T. WHIPKEY
Filed: March 18, 1999	)	Confirmation No.: 3006
For: CAMERA SYSTEM INCLUDING	)	
CAMERA AND COMPUTER HAVING	)	
INTER-DEVICE CONTROL	)	
CAPABILITY AND CAMERA THEREOF	)	

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Respectfully submitted,

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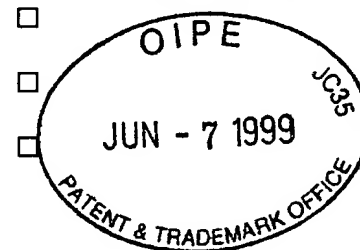
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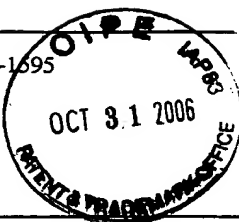
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09/270,834

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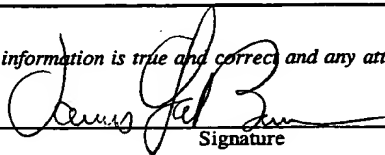
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## ASSIGNMENT (JOINT)

THIS ASSIGNMENT, by Masahito NIIKAWA, Kenji NAKAMURA

Izumi HAYAKAWA, and  
Takatsuki-Shi, Osaka, Japan, residing at Sakai-Shi, Osaka, Japan,  
and Amagasaki-Shi, Hyogo-Ken, Japan (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignors"),  
respectively, witnesseth:

WHEREAS, the Assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in  
CAMERA SYSTEM AND CAMERA set forth in an  
application for Letters Patent of the United States, [ ] which is a provisional application to be filed  
herewith; [ ] which is a non-provisional application having an oath or declaration executed on even  
date herewith prior to filing of application; ☒ bearing Application No. 09/270,834  
and filed on March 18, 1999; and

WHEREAS, MINOLTA CO., LTD  
a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of Japan and having its  
principal place of business at Osaka Kokusai Building, 3-13, 2-Chome, Azuchi-Machi, Chuo-Ku, Osaka-Shi,  
Osaka, 541-8556 Japan (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the  
entire right, title, and interest in and to said inventions, the right to file applications on said  
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applications for Letters Patent of the United States or other countries claiming priority to said  
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therefor and thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and  
sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors have sold,  
assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer, and set over,  
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AND for the same consideration, the Assignors hereby covenant and agree to and with  
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herein set forth;

AND for the same consideration, the Assignors hereby covenant and agree to and with the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns that the Assignors will, whenever counsel of the Assignee, or the counsel of its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, shall advise that any proceeding in connection with said inventions or said applications for Letters Patent or Patents, or any proceeding in connection with Letters Patent or Patents for said inventions in any country, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, or that any application claiming priority to said application, division, continuation, or continuation-in-part of any applications for Letters Patent or Patents, or any reissue or extension of any Letters Patent or Patents to be obtained thereon, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and documents, take all lawful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement, maintenance, enforcement, and defense of Letters Patent or Patents for said inventions, without charge to the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, but at the cost and expense of the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns;

AND the Assignors hereby authorize and request the attorneys of BURNS, DOANE, SWECKER & MATHIS, L.L.P. of Alexandria, Virginia, to insert in the spaces provided above the filing date, application number, and attorney docket number of said application when known.

AND the Assignors hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all said Letters Patent of the United States to the Assignee as the Assignee of said inventions, the Letters Patent to be issued for the sole use and behalf of the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns.

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Date May 20, 1999 Name of Assignor Kenji NAKAMURA  
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